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KISS #3

I REALLY DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY GRANPA AND GRANDMA OBJECT SO STRONGLY.
WHY ARE THE SO AGAINST ME BEING TACHIBANA-SAN'S MODEL?
EVEN IF I GO BACK HOME IT'LL STILL BE LONELY.
NOW I'M NOT EVEN ALLOWED TO BRING KARIN FOR WALKS IN THE EVENING.
THERE IS ONE MORE POINT I DON'T GET
GRANPDA AND GRANDMA'S OBJECTION TO MY RELATION-SHIP WITH TACHIBA-NA-SAN.
THIS EVENING IS SUPPOSED TO BE MY PRECIOUS DATE TIME WITH TACHI-BANA-SAN!
GO BACK!
ONCE THEY FOUND OUT THAT TACHIBANA-SAN WAS A PHOTO-GRAPHER, THEY STARTED TO SHOW DISCONTENT.
BECAUSE HE IS FROM THE SAME WORLD AS YOUR FATHER!
THAT PERSON WILL BRING YOU MIS-FORTUNE !
GRANDPA AND GRANDMA TOLD ME THAT MY FATHER DIED EARLY, SO NOTHING IS REALLY KNOWN ABOUT HIM.

KASUMI!
OR IS GRANDMA PURPOSELY HIDING SOMETHING FROM ME?
THEN, EXACTLY WHAT KIND OF EXPERIENCE DID FATHER
AND MOTHER, WHO DIED NOT LONG AFTER GIVING BIRTH TO ME GO THROUGH?
OR WAS GRANDMA TELLING THE TRUTH.
THAT MOTHER BECAME UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE SHE MET FATHER?
ALL THESE THINGS ARE LIKE A PUZZLE TO ME.
WILL I ALSO BECOME UNFORTUNATE

I MISSED YOU SO MUCH!
TACHIBANA-SAN!
I AM SO LUCKY. I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN YOUR UNIFORM FOR A LONG TIME.
AND THE SUMMER UNIFORM DOESN'T REQUIRE THE JACKET ♡
Smile
Hehe
NOWADAYS, WHEN I REACH HOME AFTER SCHOOL, GRANDMA WATCHES ME LIKE A HAWK,
I'M SORRY, I CAN ONLY ASK YOU TO COOPERATE WITH ME...
NOT ALLOWING ME TO MEET YOU...

HE EVEN MET ME ACCORDING TO MY TIMING AS TO NOT PUT ME IN THE SPOT
BUT HE STILL TREATS ME SO WELL
YUP!
GRANDPA WENT OVER-BOARD ASKING TACHIBANA-SAN NOT TO LOOK ME UP AGAIN
HE MAKES ME FEEL LIKE I'M BATHING IN HAPPINESS AND I CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE MYSELF BEING UNFORTUNATE IN THE FUTURE
I FEEL SO LUCKY THAT I'M IN LOVE WITH HIM
KASUMI,
ABOUT MODELING, IT SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM IF I TOOK THE PICTURES IN SECRET, RIGHT?

YOU SPENT TIME AND EFFORT TO TAKE THOSE PICTURES
YET YOU CAN'T PUBLISH THEM. I AM SO USELESS
IT SHOULD BE OK
BUT THEY STRONGLY OBJECT TO ME BEING A MODEL IN THE LIMELIGHT
I'M SORRY
I DON'T INTEND TO AGREE TO ANYTHING LIKE THAT
PLEASE, THE EXPRESSION YOU ARE SHOWING NOW IS LIKE YOU ARE GOING TO BREAK UP WITH ME
EVEN I MYSELF FEEL AMAZED,
THAT I AM SO OBSESSED OVER A HIGH SCHOOL GIRL
TO ME YOU ARE
LIKE AN ESSENTIAL PART I CAN'T LOSE
TAKING PICTURES OF YOU IS OUT OF MY INTEREST

AH
YEAH
SMIRK
OH, OH OH,
SO I SEE,
SECRETLY ON A DATE AFTER SCHOOL HUH
BLUSH
OH,
KASUMI-CHAN?
HAVE A DAY PLANNED ON
YOU SHOULD GO HOME EARLY DON'T STAY OUT TOO LATE
TRY NOT TO MAKE YOUR GRANDPARENTS WORRY
OK!
CLOSE
WHO WAS THAT?
IT WAS SO UNLUCKY THAT SHE SAW ME
MY NEIGHBOR A LADY WHO LIKES TO GOSSIP A LOT
I HAVE TO GO NOW
CLINK

THIS HAND PHONE ONLY CONTAINS MY NUMBER
HERE
YOU TAKE IT!
AFTER TODAY THE CHANCES FOR US TO BE ABLE TO CONTACT EACH OTHER ISN'T MUCH
AS LONG AS YOU HAVE THIS PHONE I WON'T HAVE TO WORRY SO MUCH
IF I HAVE THIS PHONE,
OK,
THANKS!
NOW THEN!
I CAN CONTACT TACHIBANA-SAN ANYTIME!
I HAVE TO HURRY HOME!
IF GRANDMA FINDS OUT ABOUT TODAY'S DATE, I'LL BE IN DEEP TROUBLE!

SHE REALLY IS...
HIS AFFEAR ANCE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE CAN BE TRUSTED.
HE LOOKS LIKE THOSE GUYS WHO USE THEIR LOOKS TO CHEAT WOMEN.
HOW COULD THAT BE?
COULD IT BE THAT AGAIN?
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS? WHY WOULD SUCH A PLAIN GIRL BE SCOUTED BY AN AGENCY?
THERE MUST BE SOMETHING GOING ON!
THEY ARE SUCH BIG-MOUTHS...
SIGH, JUST LIKE HOW I THOUGHT IT WAS
THAT LADY WOULD SURELY GO ABOUT SPREADING RUMORS.
YOU SEE
NOT LONG BEFORE WASN'T THERE A GUY CAUSING A RUCKUS IN FRONT OF MIYAZONO-SAN'S HOUSE?
I THINK IT WAS THE SAME GUY
ABOUT MY MOTHER
DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING?
GULP
FIRST IT'S THE DAUGHTER, NOW IT'S THE GRAND-DAUGHTER
MIYAZONO SAN REALLY DESERVES OUR PITY.
LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER

LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER ?
WHAT EXACTLY DID MY MUM DO?
DO YOU ALSO HAPPEN TO KNOW ABOUT MY FATHER?
PLEASE TELL ME, I REALLY WANT TO KNOW
WHAT SHOULD WE DO ABOUT THIS?
YEAH,
SHE ISN'T A KID ANYMORE
MAYBE IT IS TIME TO LET HER KNOW
KASUMI-CHAN. YOUR MOTHER,
WHEN SHE WAS AROUND YOUR AGE SHE GOT CHEATED BY AN UNKNOWN COMPANY
THEN AFTER BEING PLAYED BY A JERK

I BEG OF YOU!
PLEASE STOP SAYING SUCH RUBBISH TO MY GRAND-DAUGHTER.
EEP!
MIYAZONO-SAN!
GRANDMA!
KASUMI-CHAN COME HERE!
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IN-
DONED.

JUST BY LISTENING TO OTHER'S GUESSES AND RUMORS
YOU WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO LEARN THE TRUTH
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ALL I CAN FEEL IS THE HAPPINESS IN HER SMILE IN THIS PICTURE
I REALLY DO NOT KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT MY MOTHER.
KASUMI-CHAN!
GRAN-DMA,
PLEASE TELL ME THE TRUTH.

GRANDMA, DON'T CRY I WASN'T TRYING TO BLAME YOU.
ONCE I THOUGHT OF HOW PITIFUL YOUR BIRTH WAS.
I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHERE IS HE NOW, THAT'S ALL IS.
I DON'T THINK OF MYSELF AS PITIFUL. A FATHER TO ME IS SOMETHING I CAN SURVIVE WITHOUT
YES
YOU SAYING THAT MY FATHER WAS DEAD WAS A LIE WASN'T IT?
I THINK BEING FORTUNATE OR MISFORTUNATE,
IS SOMETHING YOU DECIDE YOURSELF
SO GRANDMA, PLEASE DON'T THINK THAT I AM PITIFUL

MIYUKI, YOUR MOTHER, SAID THE EXACT SAME THING BEFORE
BEFORE SHE DIED, SHE SMILED
AND SAID THE SAME THING.
MOTHER DID?!
REGARDLESS OF WHETHER IT WAS HER BEING A MODEL
FALLING IN LOVE WITH THAT PERSON,
OR HAVING YOU,
AND EVEN GIVING BIRTH TO YOU ALONE
SHE NEVER HAD ANY REGRETS

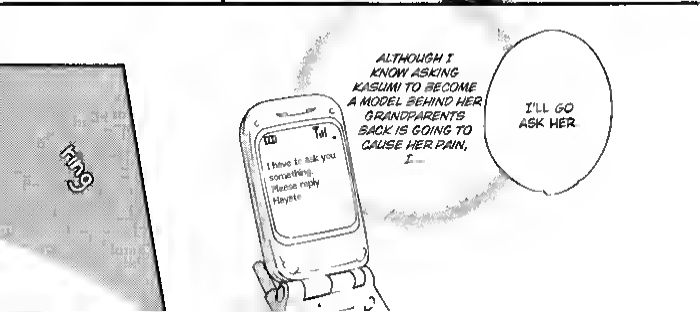
I WANT TO KNOW...
YOUR MOTHER WAS STRONG. SHE DIDN'T WANT US TO WORRY ABOUT HER
BUT SHE SUFFERING EVERYTHING ON HER OWN SHOULD HAVE BEEN HARD TOO
THAT GUY AND YOUR FATHER IS FROM THE SAME WORLD
SO, GRANDPA AND GRANDMA WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE WORRIED ABOUT WHETHER YOU ARE WALKING THE SAME PATH YOUR MOTHER DID
MORE THINGS RELATED TO FATHER AND MOTHER
THE THING THAT GRANDPA AND GRANDMA WISHES FOR THE MOST IS FOR YOU TO FIND YOUR HAPPINESS
MARRY A PERSON THAT TRULY LOVES YOU AND CAN GIVE YOU HAPPINESS
THAT IS OUR GREATEST WISH
SO I DON'T REGRET ANYTHING

"DON'T WORRY! I WILL MAKE THEM ACCEPT ME."
"THEY DON'T LIKE PHOTOGRAPHERS."
ACTUALLY, THIS IS REALLY A BIG BLOW TO ME...
GLOOM
SIGH
KASUMI IS RARE PHOTOGRAPHIC MATERIAL. A MODEL THAT IS HARD TO FIND.
SHE MAKES ME WANT TO GO FORWARD AND LET THE DIAMOND WITHIN HER SHINE BRIGHTLY...
SHE CAN IGNITE THE EXTINGUISHING PASSION IN MY HEART LIKE A SHOWER OF RAIN THAT SPRINKLED ON MY DRYING HEART.
I HAVE NO WAY TO RESIST THIS OVERWHELMING URGE...
THEN CAPTURE EVERYTHING WITH MY CAMERA.

IF THIS JOB AS A PHOTOGRAPHER MAKES KASUMI'S GRANDPARENTS OBJECT TO US,
THEN I GUESS I HAVE TO BE MENTALLY PREPARED
TO GIVE UP ON THIS JOB I LOVE
GOOD JOB!
KASUMI ATTRACTS ME DEEPLY.
HER PLACE IN MY HEART IS MUCH MORE THAN THAT OF A NORMAL PERSON'S.
BUT...
IF I USE PHOTOGRAPHS TO CAPTURE HER IMAGE, ONLY TO SATISFY MY WISH,
SHE WOULD SURELY FACE ENORMOUS PRESSURE AND SLOWLY LOSE HER GLOWING SMILE

THE PICTURE WE TOOK THAT DAY AFTER KEIGO TRANSFORMED HER, I WOULD LIKE TO PUBLISH IT ON A MAGAZINE
OH...
THAT ONE
FLUSH
SO, I WOULD NEED HER CONSENT
THE GIRL WE MET THAT DAY, COULD YOU CONTACT HER AGAIN?
BOSS?
ALTHOUGH IT WAS IN THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT YOU SURE TOOK A LOT OF PICTURES, DIDN'T YOU
LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING...
I THOUGHT SHE LOOKED FAMILIAR AND NOW I KNOW WHY
20 YEARS AGO, THIS PERSON CAME AND WENT INTO THE MODELING WORLD LIKE A COMET
THE SUPER MODEL, MIYUKI
KASUMI'S HIDDEN BEAUTY - I KNOW OF IT MORE THAN ANYONE
SO I'M THINKING THAT GIRL CAN GO FAR HER FUTURE IS BRIGHT!
IT'S NOT POSSIBLE
I WANT HER TO BECOME OUR MAGAZINE'S COVER GIRL
HAVING LONG LEGS AND ARMS SHE POSSESSED AN ELEGANCE THAT CAN ONLY BE ADMIRED SHE IS COMPLETELY OUT OF THE ORDINARY...
HER BEAUTY IS FRESH AND NEW, LIKE A FAIRY, VIVID WITHIN HUMANS...

I AM SO USELESS ..
JUST BECAUSE I HAVE SOME LINGERING FEELINGS FOR THIS JOB..
HER GRANDPARENTS OBJECT TO HER BEING A MODEL
ISN'T THAT EASY? WE CAN HIDE HER IDENTITY
TOWARDS THIS GEM YOU FOUND
HAYATO, I AM FILLED WITH EXPECTATIONS AND HOPE
I GET IT
JUST DON'T LET ANYONE KNOW HER TRUE IDENTITY


ALTHOUGH I KNOW ASKING KASUMI TO BECOME A MODEL BEHIND HER GRANDPARENTS BACK IS GOING TO CAUSE HER PAIN, I...
I'LL GO ASK HER
Tel
I have to ask you something. Please reply Hayato
ring

FLINCH
IT'S KASUMI
I SAW YOUR MES-SAGE
HELLO?
WOW. IT'S SO RARE TO SEE SENSEI TEXTING AND TALKING ON THE PHONE
SHUT UP.
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME USING A PHONE, I FEEL SO NER-VOUS!
WHAT DID YOU HAVE TO TALK TO ME ABOUT?
ACTUALLY, IT'S NOTHING MUCH
I AM ONLY ASKING YOU ACCORDING TO MY SUPERIOR'S ORDERS
HIDE MY IDENTITY?
YOU CAN REJECT IT.

I...
AM WILLING TO DO IT.
YOU'RE WILLING? HAS YOUR GRANDPARENTS ALLOWED YOU TO BE A MODEL?
NOPE.
THEY'RE STILL AGAINST IT.
CLOSE
I
OH, IS THAT HER?
WOOPS, SEE YOU THEN.
CAN I TALK TO HER?
SORRY. SHE JUST HUNG UP.

HOW EXACTLY DID YOU ASK?
WHAT IF SHE GETS SNATCHED AWAY BY OTHER MAGAZINE COMPANIES FIRST?
SHE SAID SHE HAS TO THINK ABOUT IT.
SUCH A PITY...
THEN, HAS SHE AGREED?
She didn't!?
BOSS, AREN'T YOU BEING TOO UNREASONABLE?
HOW CAN YOU EXPECT HER TO AGREE SO READILY?
ERR!
ARE YOU SLEEPING?!
SHE MAY VERY WELL BE A GEM!
A RISING STAR FOUND BY THE GENIUS PHOTOGRAPHER HAYATO!
YOU WANT TO GIVE UP ONLY AFTER HEARING THAT SHE WILL CONSIDER IT?
THEN YOU ARE RUINING YOUR OWN GENIUS REPUTATION!
THAT'S RIGHT...

IF I THINK LIKE THAT THEN I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO HOLD ME BACK
!?
IF IT IS ONLY TO CAPTURE KASUMI'S HEART, THEN BEING A PHOTOGRAPHER IS NOT THAT IMPORTANT.
KASUMI, YOU SHOULD STOP MAKING THINGS HARD FOR YOURSELF
I SHALL JUST TREAT IT AS AN INTEREST.
IF I CAN'T CONVINCE HER,
I GUESS I WILL JUST HAVE TO QUIT THIS JOB.
SINCE... KASUMI IS IRREPLACEABLE.

I'VE MADE MY DECISION.
IF THIS COULD MERGE YOUR INTEREST AND WORK
AND SHOW YOUR WORKS TO THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD BE GREAT
BUT LYING TO THE PUBLIC WILL ONLY CAUSE YOU TO FEEL HURT
AND YOUR SMILE WILL SLOWLY FADE AWAY
Zzz
SO I HAVE DECIDED TO TREAT PHOTOGRAPHY AS AN INTEREST
AND CHANGE JOBS
SHOCK
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I-I'M SORRY!
IT'S OKAY. YOU DON'T HAVE TO APOLOGIZE.
THAT'S NOT IT
I HAVE ONLY BEEN THINKING ABOUT MYSELF AND IGNORING YOUR FEELINGS...
blush
HUH?!
I HEARD MY MUM WAS A MODEL BEFORE
MIYUKI

YOU KNOW MY MOTHER?
MY SUPERIOR SAID YOU LOOKED LIKE SOMEONE
AND THE PICTURE SHE SHOWED ME WAS VERY SIMILAR TO THIS ONE
I HEARD THAT SHE WAS A SUPER MODEL 20 YEARS AGO WHEN SHE SUDDENLY APPEARED IN THE MODELING WORLD.
BUT, SHE DISAPPEARED SOON AFTER, WITHOUT A REASON
SO, SHE IS YOU MOTHER?
I DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT MOTHER, SO
I CAN'T CONFIRM WHETHER IT IS THE SAME PERSON, BUT...
IF I ENTER THE MODELLING WORLD,
MY MOTHER THAT GRANDPA AND GRANDMA NEVER KNEW...
EVEN THINGS ABOUT MY FATHER...

YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT YOUR FATHER, RIGHT?
AREN'T YOU SCARED?
NOPE,
I'M NOT SCARED
MOTHER USED TO SAY THAT
SHE NEVER REGRETTED FALLING IN LOVE WITH FATHER.
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND MORE.
THAT'S WHAT GRANDMA TOLD ME
EVEN SO,
HE STILL ABANDONED YOUR MOTHER YEARS AGO
GRANDPA AND GRANDMA ALSO THINK THAT MOTHER IS PITIFUL.
BUT...
MY MOTHER DOESN'T THINK THAT WAY

SO... YOU CAN'T EXACTLY SAY SHE WAS PITIFUL...
I GUESS...
I AM VERY HAPPY NOW
THEN, I WANT...
IT WAS BECAUSE SHE HAD ME...
FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART I THANK MY MOTHER FOR GIVING BIRTH TO ME.
TO TAKE THIS HAPPINESS,
AND PROTECT YOU FOREVER...

I
NEVER THOUGHT THAT
YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO GIVE UP YOUR JOB FOR ME
I HAVE ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT EVERYONE IS JUST AS HAPPY AS ME
slip
TACHIBANA-SAN,
PLEASE DO NOT GIVE UP ON YOUR PASSION FOR PHOTOGRAPHY
OTHERWISE, NOT ONLY WILL I BE UNHAPPY, BUT GUILTY TOO

IS SLOWLY STARTING
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT YOU WOULD THINK FURTHER THAN ME.
I HAVE ALWAYS SEEN YOU AS JUST A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT
YOU REALLY... SURPRISE ME
THIS RAW GEM
TO GIVE OUT ITS OWN BRIGHT LIGHT.
YOU MAKE ME
STRONGER.
THAT BRIGHT LIGHT, REALLY ATTRACTS ME DEEPLY.
NOW I KNOW HOW TO GO FORWARD FROM HERE

AH!
Slide
NN...
AHH...

HAA-
AHH!
thrust
NO-
AAHH!
TA-
huff
huff
TACHI-
BANA-
SAN...
huff
lick
AH..
AH...
slurp

I'LL GIVE YOU
MY EVERY-THING
I CAN'T LOSE YOU
MY LOVE...
NOW
I'M GOING TO GIVE IT TO YOU
SHIVER

KASUMI, I ALREADY TOOK KARIN ON A WALK.
I'M HOME!
Woof!
Woof!
TACHIBANA-SAN?!
I'LL SEND YOU HOME
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME
SEEING HIM IN A SUIT!
YOU...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
breathes

I AM HERE TO FORMALLY PAY A VISIT TO YOU
I AM TACHIBANA HAYATO
WE DON'T WANT TO HEAR IT!
KASUMI, GET IN THE HOUSE!
I WANTED TO PAY MY RESPECTS TO YOU WHO RAISED ASAMIYA-ZONO KASUMI'S GUARDIANS
I ALSO HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK

I HOPE THAT GRANDFATHER AND GRANDMOTHER WILL UNDERSTAND HOW I FEEL TOWARDS HER.
I HEREBY SWEAR, THAT NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS I WILL PROTECT HER AND NEVER ABANDON HER!
AM TRULY IN LOVE WITH KASUMI-SAN!
GRAND-PA.
GO HOME!
WOUF
WOUF
WOUF
I...

PEOPLE IN YOUR LINE OF WORK ONLY KNOW HOW TO SWEET TALK THEIR WAY AROUND THINGS
HOW DO YOU EXPECT ME TO BELIEVE-
NOT CONSIDERING WHAT I DO FOR A LIVING, I WANT YOU BOTH TO CONSIDER ME FOR WHO I AM.
TACHIBANA-SAN!
I WON'T ASK FOR YOUR CONSENT NOW
BUT PLEASE GIVE ME A CHANCE TO PROVE MY WORTH!
BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT I AM SUITABLE FOR YOUR GRANDDAUGHTER,
AT LEAST GIVE ME A CHANCE!

WE ARE JUST LIKE YOU
WE ONLY WANT KASUMI TO BE HAPPY.
.....
HMM
GO ON THEN

GRANDPA!
THANK YOU!
GLOMPS
I HAVEN'T AGREED YET!
I'M JUST GIVING HIM A CHANCE!
I'LL...
DO MY BEST,
KASUMI...
I LOVE YOU!

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